FISCAL NOTE

SB 1619 - HB 1559

April 2, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Commission on Aging and Disability to develop a five year pilot program proposal which would allow individuals and their families to direct their own home and community based care services. Requires the Commission to submit the proposal to the Long-term Care Services Planning Council for evaluation. Implementation of such program is dependent upon the approval of the Council and allocation of funding.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent the Commission on Aging and Disability develops a pilot program to allow individuals and their families to direct their own home and community based care services, there could be an increase in expenditures exceeding \$100,000.

Assumptions:

- The Commission on Aging and Disabilities would be able to develop the proposal with existing resources.
- The pilot program would include no more than six counties in both urban and rural areas.
- The families and individuals would exercise choice, control and responsibility for their services within a cost neutral framework.
- The project would provide a fiscal agent and supportive broker services to sustain individuals and families in directing their own services.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director